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SUBJECT: QUESTION OF ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP FOR PLO IN ECWA

REF: A) STATE 149837; B) STATE 148786; C) LONDON 10705;
D) BONN 10913; E) USUN 2089

1. USUN AND EMBASSIES LONDON AND BONN HAVE REPORTED
CONVERSATIONS WITH WEST EUROPEANS INDICATING THAT WEO'S
ARE BEGINNING TO THINK ABOUT ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP FOR
PLO IN ECWA AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO FULL MEMBERSHIP.

2. USDEL SHOULD NOT INDICATE THAT ANY ATTEMPT TO GRANT
ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP TO PLO WOULD MEET OUR NEEDS. IF YOU
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ARE ASKED ABOUT ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP, YOU MAY DRAW ON THE
FOLLOWING TALKING POINTS:

-- PROPOSAL FOR PLO ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP IN ECWA RAISES
ISSUES OF SUBSTANTIAL IMPORTANCE WITH IMPLICATIONS FOR
UN SYSTEM.

-- THERE IS NO PRECEDENT IN THE UN SYSTEM FOR GRANTING
ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP TO AN ENTITY SUCH AS THE PLO.
ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP IN REGIONAL ECONOMIC COMMISSIONS

HAS BEEN GRANTED TO NON-SELF-GOVERNING TERRITORIES OR TO
STATES NOT MEMBERS OF THE REGIONS.

-- ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP USUALLY ENTAILS THE RIGHT TO
PARTICIPATE FULLY IN ALL THE WORK OF THE ORGANIZATION,
WITH EXCEPTION OF THE RIGHT TO VOTE. IT INCLUDES THE
RIGHT TO SIT ON COMMITTEES, AND IN SOME INSTANCES THE
RIGHT TO BE OFFICERS OF ANY COMMITTEES OR OTHER SUB-
ORDINATE BODIES OF THE ORGANIZATION. THESE ARE SIGNI-
FICANT PARTICIPATORY RIGHTS AND ENTAIL SIGNIFICANT
RESPONSIBILITY. IN PAST, RIGHTS HAVE BEEN LIMITED TO
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF A TERRITORY, EVEN
IF THAT TERRITORY WAS NOT FULLY SELF-GOVERNING, ON THE
THEORY THAT IT MIGHT BE ABLE TO IMPLEMENT DECISIONS.
LIBERATION MOVEMENTS DO NOT HAVE THE CAPACITY TO ASSUME
THE RESPONSIBILITIES WHICH SHOULD ATTACH TO POSSESSION
OF THESE RIGHTS.

-- UN SYSTEM HAS EVOLVED GENERAL PRACTICE THAT LIBERATION
MOVEMENTS SHOULD RECEIVE NO MORE THAN OBSERVER STATUS.
UN NOW HAS FAIRLY CONSISTENT PRACTICE REGARDING THE
REQUIREMENTS OF MEMBERSHIP, ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP AND
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OBSERVER STATUS. GRANTING PLO ASSOCIATE STATUS WOULD
RUN COUNTER TO THE PRINCIPLE THAT RIGHTS GRANTED TO AN
ENTITY SHOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH OBLIGATIONS THE ORGANI-
ZATION REQUIRES BE ASSUMED.

3. IN TALKING TO BRITISH, GERMANS AND OTHER WEO'S WHO
RAISE QUESTION, YOU SHOULD SAY THAT ANY INDICATION ON
THEIR PART THAT ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP IS A POSSIBLE
COMPROMISE MIGHT ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO PURSUE OPTION OF
FULL MEMBERSHIP STATUS. SOME NON-ALIGNED STATES IN
PARTICULAR MIGHT VOTE FOR FULL MEMBERSHIP IF THEY KNOW
THAT SOME WEO'S SUPPORT ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP SINCE THEY
WOULD NOT WANT TO BACK WESTERN POSITION OVER THAT OF
ARABS.

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